

House Resolution No. 98

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State school districts which bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the exceptional achievements of their curricular programs; and

Whereas, Francis Howell High School has attained considerable distinction for the strength, success, and professionalism of its marching band directed by Chris Miller; and

Whereas, the marching Vikings enhanced their already impressive record of achievement when they performed in a national venue at the close of 2004; and

Whereas, approximately seventy-five students made the long bus trip to Memphis, Tennessee, in order to compete in field and parade marching venues connected with the Liberty Bowl; and

Whereas, the Francis Howell High School Vikings earned twelve trophies, including first place in its class in the parade and field marching competitions; outstanding ratings for percussion, color guard, music, marching and maneuvering; and general effects awards in both the field and parade competitions; and

Whereas, in addition to having to raise \$450 to cover their expenses, Viking students participated in numerous rehearsals on the trip to Florida; and

Whereas, Viking musicians also attended a New Year's Eve party at a Memphis convention center, saw a rodeo, and visited Graceland before returning home on Saturday, January 1, 2005:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar season of performances and competitions engaged in by the Francis Howell High School marching band and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations for their outstanding achievements at the Liberty Bowl in Memphis; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the 2004-2005 Francis Howell High School band.

Offered by _____
Representative Joe Smith
District No. 14

Representative Kevin Threlkeld
District No. 109

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 98, adopted November 12, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker